TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPION, MICHIGAN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Supervisor and Members of the Township Board of Trustees Township of Champion, Michigan Champion, Michigan 49814

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information, of the Township of Champion, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit, and the report of the other auditors, provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major funds and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Champion, Michigan as of March 31, 2005, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in the Footnotes, the Township of Champion, Michigan has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – For State and Local Governments, as amended and interpreted as of March 31, 2005.

Supervisor and Members of The Township Board of Trustees Champion, Michigan 49814

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated July 1, 2005, on our consideration of the Township of Champion, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provision of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis, and budgetary comparison information on pages 5 through 10 and 35 through 42 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township of Champion, Michigan's basic financial statements. The schedules listed as other supplemental information in the accompanying table of contents are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Township of Champion, Michigan. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, based on our audit, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants

July 1, 2005

TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPION, MICHIGAN

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

Our discussion and analysis of the Township of Champion, Michigan's financial performance provides an overview of the Township's financial activities for the year ended March 31, 2005. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements, which begin on page 11.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The Township's net assets were reported for the first time under GASB 34. As such, no comparisons with prior years will be made. In future years, comparative information will be presented in various schedules throughout the MD&A.
- Net assets for the Township as a whole increased by \$41,309 or 10 percent as a result of this year's operations.
- During the year, the Township had expenses for governmental activities that were \$156,891 and revenues of \$198,200.
- The General Fund reported a net fund balance of \$113,245. Net change in fund balance was \$22,245 higher than the forecasted decrease of \$13,552.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities (on pages 11 and 12) provide information about the activities of the Township as a whole and present a longer-term view of the Township's finances. Fund financial statements start on page 13. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for the future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Township's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the Township's most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which the Township acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside the government.

Reporting the Township as a Whole

Our analysis of the Township as a whole begins on page 7. One of the most important questions asked about the Township's finances is "Is the Township as a whole better off or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about the Township as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid. These two statements report the Township's net assets and changes in them. You can think of the Township's net assets - the difference between assets and liabilities - as one way to measure the Township's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the

Township's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other non-financial factors, however, such as changes in the Township's patron base and the condition of the Township's capital assets, to assess the overall financial health of the Township.

In the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, we divide the Township into two kinds of activities:

- Governmental Activities Most of the Township's basic services are reported here, including the legislative, elections, public safety, public works, recreation and culture, community and economic development and general services and administration. Property taxes, charges for services and state sources fund most of these activities.
- Business-Type Activities The Township has no Business-Type Activities.

Reporting the Township's Most Significant Funds

Our analysis of the Township of Champion, Michigan's major funds begins on page 9. The fund financial statements begin on page 13 and provide detailed information on the most significant funds – not the Township as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. However, the Township Board establishes many other funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is meeting legal responsibilities for using taxes, grants, and other money. The Township of Champion, Michigan's two kinds of funds - governmental and proprietary - use different accounting approaches.

- Governmental funds Most of the Township of Champion, Michigan's basic services are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can be readily converted into cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the Township's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Township of Champion, Michigan's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities) and governmental funds in a reconciliation which follows the fund financial statements.
- Proprietary funds When the Township of Champion, Michigan charges customers for the services it provides whether to outside customers these services are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way that all activities are reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities. In fact, the Township of Champion, Michigan's enterprise funds (a component of proprietary funds) are the same as the business-type activities we report in the government-wide statements but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows, for proprietary funds. The Township of Champion, Michigan does not have any proprietary funds.

The Township as Trustee

The Township of Champion, Michigan is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that – because of a trust arrangement – can be used only for the trust beneficiaries. All of the fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statements of Fiduciary Net Assets on page 17. We exclude these activities from the other financial statements because the Township of Champion, Michigan cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

The Township of Champion, Michigan is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

The Township as a Whole

Table I provides a summary of the Township's net assets as of March 31, 2005.

	Table 1 Net Assets	
	Governmental	
	Activities – 2005	
Current and other assets Non-current assets Total Assets	\$ 248,465 <u>233,942</u> <u>482,407</u>	
Current liabilities Non-current liabilities Total Liabilities	3,294 3,519 6,813	
Net Assets: Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted (deficit) Total Net Assets	233,942 - 241,652 \$475,594	

Net assets of the Township of Champion, Michigan's governmental activities stood at \$475,594. *Unrestricted* net assets—the part of net assets that could be used to finance day-to-day activities without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation, or other legal requirements stood at \$241,652.

The \$241,652 in unrestricted net assets of governmental activities represents the accumulated results of all past years' operations. The operating results of the General Fund will have a significant impact on the change in unrestricted net assets from year to year.

The results of this year's operations for the Township of Champion, Michigan as a whole are reported in the Statement of Activities (see Table 2), which shows the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2005.

Table 2		
Changes in Ne	t Assets	
	Sovernmental	
	ctivities – 2005	
Revenues:		
Program Revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 24,679	
Operating Grants	989	
Capital Grants	6,795	
General Revenues:		
Property taxes	124,813	
State Sources	26,263	
Interest	1,408	
Miscellaneous	<u>13,253</u>	
Total Revenues	<u>198,200</u>	
Program Expenses:		
Legislative	2,500	
Elections	2,107	
General Services and Administration	58,653	
Public Safety	35,556	
Public Works	26,921	
Health and Welfare	12,131	
Community & Economic Dev.	4,245	
Recreation and Culture	5,646	
Other	<u>9,132</u>	
Total Expenses	<u> 156,891</u>	
Excess (deficiency) before transfers	41,309	
Transfers	-	
Increase (decrease) in net assets	41,309	
Net assets, beginning, as restated	<u>434,285</u>	
Net Assets, Ending	<u>\$475,594</u>	

The Township of Champion, Michigan's total revenues were \$198,200. The total cost of all programs and services was \$156,891, leaving an increase in net assets of \$41,309. Our analysis below separately considers the operations of governmental activities:

Governmental Activities

The net assets of the Township of Champion, Michigan's governmental activities increased \$49,309 for the year ended March 31, 2005.

The Net Income was made up from \$49,214 in from Governmental Funds Net Income, Depreciation expense of \$14,287 and Reclassify of principal of \$6,382.

THE TOWNSHIP'S FUNDS

As the Township of Champion, Michigan completed the year, its governmental funds (as presented in the balance sheet on page 13 reported a combined fund balance of \$245,875 which is an increase of \$49,214 from the beginning of the year.

The \$49,214 in Government Fund Net Income, \$19,491 was from the Road Fund which has no projects in the current year due to saving fund for a large project in the future. The Fire Fund had net income of \$12,354, which is savings for capital outlay in future years. The General Fund saved \$8,100 in Recreation and Culture expenditures that were reclassified to other funds or functions, creating a decrease in expenditures for that function. That leaves \$9,269 from the General Fund, Emergency Management Services Fund and Veteran's Memorial Park Fund for Immaterial amounts from these funds.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Over the course of the year, the Township of Champion, Michigan Board revised the budget a few times.

Amendments resulted in a net increase of \$0.

With these adjustments, actual charges to expenditures were \$20,253 less than the final amended budget. Conversely, revenues were \$1,992 more than the final budget projection.

The variance related to revenue were immaterial variance across all accounts

Actual expenditures were \$20,253 less than our final budget.

Of this \$20,253, \$8,100 was budgeted for Recreation and Culture that was either expended from the new Veteran's Park Fund or Township Hall and Grounds. An additional \$4,000 was set aside for contingency expenses that were not used. This leaves \$8,053 from all other expenditure accounts.

CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At the end of the fiscal year, the Township of Champion, Michigan had \$233,942 invested in a variety of capital assets including land, buildings, and other equipment. (See table 3 below)

	Table 3	
Capital Assets at Y	(ear-End (Net of Depreciation)	
	Governmental	
	Activities - 2005	
Land	\$ 82,085	
Land improvements	-	
Buildings and improvements	109,527	
Equipment and furnishings	<u>42,330</u>	
	\$233,942	

The Township of Champion, Michigan had no additions or deletions in fixed assets in the current year. Depreciation expense for the year was \$14,287.

Debt

At end of the fiscal year, the Township of Champion, Michigan had \$4,223in bonds outstanding as depicted in Table 4 below.

	Table 4	
	Outstanding Debt at Year-End	
	Governmental	
	<u> Activities - 2005</u>	
Landfill Bond	<u>\$4,223</u>	

The Township of Champion, Michigan had no new debt in the current year and made principal payments of \$6,382.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS

In preparing the Township of Champion, Michigan's budget for the year ending March 31, 2006

We looked at the past year's budget vs. actual and did our budget for 2006 with some minor adjustments.

CONTACTING THE TOWNSHIP'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Township of Champion, Michigan's finances and to show the township's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Township of Champion, PO BOX 126, Champion, MI 49814.

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2005

	Gov	Government ernmental ctivities
ASSETS		
Current Assets:	•	400.040
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	126,243
Receivables (net)		122,222
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		248,465
Non-current assets:		
Capital Assets		
Land and construction in progress		82,085
Other capital assets		304,725
Accumulated depreciation		(152,868) 233,942
Total Capital Assets		233,942
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		233,942
TOTAL ASSETS		482,407
LIABILITIES:		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable		2,590
Accrued liabilities		704
Current portion of bonds payable		704
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,294
Non-current Liabilities:		
Bonds payable		3,519
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TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,519
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u> </u>	6,813
NET 100770		
NET ASSETS		233,942
Invested in capital assets net of related debt Unrestricted		233,9 4 2 241,652
Omeathoted		= r1,002
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	475,594

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2005

					-	Program Revenues	s		Net (E Cha	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets
			ភ	Charges for		Operating Grants and		Capital Grants and	<u>E</u>	Primary Government Governmental
Function / Programs	Expen	enses	"	Services		Contributions	1	Contributions		Activities
Primary Government:										
Governmental Activities:										
Legislative	s	2,500	ક્ક	ı	₩	•	↔	•	↔	(2,500)
Elections		2,107		•		•		•		(2,107)
General services and administration		58,653		253		•		6,795		(51,605)
Public safety		35,556		16,969		•		•		(18,587)
Public works		26,921		61		686		ı		(25,871)
Health and Welfare		12,131		7,176		•		1		(4,955)
Community and economic development		4,245		220		•		•		(4,025)
Recreation and culture		5,646		1		•		•		(5,646)
Other		9,132			1	3				(9,132)
Total Governmental Activities		156,891		24,679		686		6,795		(124,428)
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	€	156,891	ક્ક	24,679	₩	686	€>	6,795		(124,428)

General Revenues: Taxes Unrestricted State sources Interest and investment earnings Miscellaneous	124,813 26,263 1,408 13,253
Transfers	6
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES AND TRANSFERS	165,737
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	41,309
Net assets, beginning of year	434,285
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 475,594

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

March 31, 2005

Non-Major Veteran's

Emergency

		General Fund		Road Fund		Fire Fund		Medical Services Fund		Memorial Park Fund	<u> ဗ</u>	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Receivables	€	44,588 5,490	↔	42,076	↔	23,205	↔	12,903	↔	3,471	6	126,243 5,990
Taxes receivable Due from other funds		4,414 58,753		1,628		1,809		8,688		•		6,512 107,720
TOTAL ASSETS	₩.	113,245	\$	61,084	↔	48,413	κ	22,252	₩	3,471	8	248,465
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE												
LIABILITIES: Accounts payable Accrued payroll and related	\	1 1	↔	1 (₩	2,080	↔	510	↔		↔	2,590
Due to otner runds TOTAL LIABILITIES		1				2,080		510				2,590
FUND BALANCE: Unreserved, reported in: General Fund Special Revenue Funds		113,245		61,084		46,333		21,742		3,471		113,245 132,630
TOTAL FUND BALANCE		113,245	į	61,084		46,333		21,742		3,471		245,875
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	₩.	113,245	æ	61,084	8	48,413	ω	22,252	₩	3,471	4	248,465

RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2005

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds		\$ 245,875
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds		233,942
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the funds.		
Current portion of bonds payable Bonds payable	704 3,519	(4,223)
NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		\$ 475,594

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE For the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2005

Non-Major

							Emer	Emergency Medical	Veterans	e s		Total
	ا "	Seneral Fund		Road		Fire Fund	Ser	Service Fund	Park Fund		8	Governmental Funds
REVENUES: Taxes	69	71,538	€9	19,150	s s	24,772	69	9,353	₩	•	€	124,813
Charges and permits State sources Charges for services Interest Other		34,047 534 598 6,420		341		16,969		7,176 166 641		6,192		34,047 24,679 1,408 13,253
TOTAL REVENUES		113,137	3	19,491		42,044		17,336		6,192		198,200
EXPENDITURES: Current operations: Legislative		2,500		•		•		•		1		2,500
Elections General services and administration		2,107 57,191				, ,						2,107 57,191
Public safety		· ·		,		29,690		•		1		29,690
Public works		27,569		•		•		12 131		•		27,569
Community and economic development		4,245						12,131				4,245
Recreation and culture Other		1,700								2,721		4,421 9.132
Capital outlay				-				,		1		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	(0)	104,444		1	1	29,690		12,131		2,721		148,986
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	~ "	8,693		19,491		12,354		5,205		3,471		49,214
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers in Transfers (out)		, ,		1 1		1 1						
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						•		-				1
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE Fund balance, beginning of year		8,693 104,552		19,491 41,593		12,354 33,979		5,205 16,537	67	3,471		49,214 196,661
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	∞	113,245	so.	61,084	မှ	46,333	69	21,742	Ф	3,471	69	245,875

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

For the Fiscal Year Ended March 31, 2005

Net	Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$ 49,214
	ounts reported for governmental activities in the statement factivities are different because:		
•	Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current period.		
•	Capital outlays Depreciation expense Gain (loss) on disposal	(14,287)	(14,287)
ı	Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets.		 6,382
	CHANGE IN NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		\$ 41,309

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS

March 31, 2005

		Agency Funds
ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Due from other funds		\$ 151,369
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 151,369
LIABILITIES: Due to other funds Due to others		\$ 107,720 43,649
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 151,369

TOWNSHIP OF CHAMPION, MICHIGAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2005

NOTE A – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

The financial statements of the Township of Champion, Michigan have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). Governments are also required to follow the pronouncements of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued through November 30, 1989 (when applicable) that do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The more significant of these accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the Township are described below.

(1) REPORTING ENTITY

The Township of Champion, Michigan's financial statements present the Township of Champion, Michigan (the primary government). In evaluating the Township of Champion, Michigan as a reporting entity, management has addressed all potential component units (traditionally separate reporting units) for which the Township of Champion, Michigan may or may not be financially accountable and, as such, be includable within the financial statements.

(2) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Township of Champion, Michigan's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Township as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Township's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type. The Township's legislative, public works, public safety, community and economic development, recreation and culture and general services and administration are classified as governmental activities. The Township of Champion, Michigan does not have any activity that is classified as business-type activities.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, both the governmental activities columns are presented on a consolidated basis by column and are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Township's net assets are reported in three parts – invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets. The Township first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Township of Champion, Michigan's functions and business-type activities. The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property, sales and use taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues, fines, permits

and charges, etc.) The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function or a business-type activity. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants. The net costs (by function or business-type activity) are normally covered by general revenue.

The government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Township of Champion, Michigan as an entity and the change in the Township of Champion, Michigan's net assets resulting from the current year's activities. For the most part, the effect of interfund activities has been removed from these statements.

(3) BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial transactions of the Township are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements.

The following fund types are used by the Township:

Governmental Funds

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the Township:

- General Fund General Fund is the general operating fund and, accordingly, it is used
 to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in
 another fund.
- **Road Fund** Road Fund is a Special Revenue Fund Type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to road improvement.
- Fire Fund Fire Fund is a Special Revenue Fund type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to Fire protection services.
- Emergency Management Services Fund Emergency Management Services Fund is a Special Revenue Fund Type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to emergency management services.
- Veteran's Memorial Park Fund Veteran's memorial Park Fund is a Special Revenue Fund Type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to the Veteran's Memorial Park.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support Township programs. The agency fund is custodial in nature and does not present results of operations or have a measurement focus.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either the governmental or business-type activities categories. Nonmajor funds by category are summarized into a single column. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds.

The Township reports the following major governmental funds:

The **General Fund** is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Road Fund – Road Fund is a Special Revenue Fund Type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to road improvement.

Fire Fund – Fire Fund is a Special Revenue Fund type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to Fire protection services.

Emergency Management Services Fund – Emergency Management Services Fund is a Special Revenue Fund Type used to account for financial resources to be used for the expenditures related to emergency management services.

The Township's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements by type (agency). Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, private parties, etc.) and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the Township, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

(4) BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Accrual

Both governmental and business-type activities in the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Modified Accrual

The governmental funds financial statements are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when they are both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. However, debt service expenditures, compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

(5) FINANCIAL STATEMENT AMOUNTS

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting – The Township follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- a. The Township Supervisor submits to the Township Board of Trustees a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following April 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
- b. Numerous opportunities exist for public comment during the budget process including at least two formal public hearings conducted at the Township Hall to obtain taxpayer comment.
- c. Pursuant to statute, prior to March 31 of each year the budget for the ensuing year is legally enacted through adoption of an Annual General Appropriations Act.
- d. The general statute governing Township budgetary activity is the State of Michigan Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act. In addition to the provisions of the said Act and Board policy, general statements concerning the Board's intent regarding the administration of each year's budget are set out in the Annual General Appropriations Act. The Champion Township Board of Trustees, through policy action, specifically directs the Supervisor not to authorize or participate in any expenditure of funds except as authorized by the Annual General Appropriations Act. The Board recognized that, in addition to possible Board sanctions for willful disregard of this policy, State statutes provide for civil liability for violations of the Annual General Appropriations Act.

- e. The Supervisor is authorized by means of Township policy to maker certain transfers:
 - 1. The Supervisor receives a request for a budget transfer from the head of the department whose budget is to be affected. Such request must specify the necessity for the transfer, the account name and/or group(s) and amount to be affected within prescribed limitations. Transfers in excess of those limitations must be approved by the Board of Trustees.
 - 2. The following considerations must be reviewed in determination of transfer approvals:
 - a. Are the transfers consistent with the intent of the Board of Trustees in adopting the annual budget?
 - b. Will the transfer maintain the financial integrity of the Township?
 - c. Will the transfer provide a reasonable solution to the departmental operating problem?

Considering the above, the Supervisor will then decide whether or not the transfer should be made.

Supplemental appropriations are submitted to and reviewed by the Supervisor and submitted to the Township Board of Trustees for their review and approval. If approved, they are implemented by the Supervisor through a budget revision.

- f. The Township of Champion, Michigan adopts its Annual Budget on a departmental basis. At each level of detail, governmental operations are summarized into expenditure account groups. Funding sources are also identified and adopted at each level of detail. Budgetary controls exist at the most detailed level adopted by the Board of Trustees, i.e., department for analytical purposes. A detailed line item breakdown is Prepared for each program. Accounting, i.e., classification control, resides at the line item detail level.
- g. Budgets for the General Funds were adopted in substance on an accrual basis which is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Budgeted amounts as reported in the Financial Report are as originally adopted and/or amended by the Township Board of Trustees.

Cash Equivalents and Investments - For the purposes of balance sheet classification and the statement of cash flows, cash and equivalents consist of demand deposits, cash in savings, money market accounts and short-term certificates of deposit with original maturity of three months or less. Investments are carried at fair value.

Capital Assets – Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment and infrastructure assets (e.g. streets, bridges, and sidewalks), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Township as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of five years.

All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their fair value on the date donated. Depreciation on all exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against their operations in government-wide statements and proprietary financial statements. Accumulated depreciation is reported on government-wide and proprietary statement of net assets. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Land improvements	15 years
Building, structures and improvements	25-40 years
Equipment	5 years
Water and Sewage System	20-50 years
Vehicles	5-10 years
Infrastructure	20-50 vears

Long-Term Liabilities: In the government-wide financial statements and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities and business-type activities or proprietary fund type statement of net assets. In the fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources.

Estimates – The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reporting of certain assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures. Actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

Property Taxes – Property taxes are levied as of December 1 of each year and are due by the last day of the following March. The taxes are collected by the local unit and periodically remitted to the third parties during the collection period.

Compensated Absences – The Township accrues accumulated unpaid vacation and sick leave days and associated employee-related costs when earned (or estimated to be earned) by the employee. The noncurrent portion (the amount estimated to be used in subsequent fiscal years) for governmental funds is maintained separately and represents a reconciling item between the fund and government-wide presentations.

Deferred Revenues – Deferred revenues are those where asset recognition criteria have been met, but for which revenue recognition criteria have not been met.

Interfund Activity – Interfund activity is reported as either, loans, services provided reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements occur when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a result of the reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

Implementation of New Accounting Principles – In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments (GASB No. 34). Certain of the significant changes in the Statement include the following:

- For the first time the financial statements include:
 - > A Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the Township's overall financial position and results of operation's.
 - Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the Township's activities, including infrastructure (e.g. streets, bridges and sidewalks)
- A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements (including notes to financial statements).

NOTE B - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS:

The composition of cash and investments as reported in the Statement of Net Assets is presented below:

Cash and Investments: Unrestricted		Primary <u>Government</u>	Fiduciary <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 126,243 \$ 126,243	\$151,369 \$151,369	\$ 277,612 \$277,612
Composition of Balance	s:	Primary <u>Government</u>	Fiduciary <u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash in banks Certificates of Deposit Petty Cash		\$ 93,453 32,790	\$151,369 -	\$ 244,822 32,790
Terry Cash	TOTAL	\$126,243	\$151,369	<u>-</u> \$ 277,612

NOTE B - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued):

Act 196, PA 1997, authorized the Township to deposit and invest in:

- a. Bonds, securities, and other direct obligations of the United States or its agencies.
- b. Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of federally insured banks, insured savings and loan associations or credit unions insured by the National credit union administration that are eligible to be depository of surplus money belonging to the State under Section 5 or 6 of Act 105, PA 1855, as amended (MCL 21.145 and 21.146).
- c. Commercial paper rated at time of purchase within the two highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services. Maturity cannot be more than 270 days after purchase.
- d. United States government or Federal agency obligation repurchase agreements.
- e. Banker's acceptance of United States banks.
- f. Mutual funds composed of investments which are legal for direct investments by local units of government in Michigan.
- g. Obligation of the State of Michigan or its political subdivisions which are rated investment grade.
- h. Financial institutions eligible for deposit of public funds must maintain an office in Michigan.

Deposits

At year-end, the carrying amount of the Township's deposits was \$ 277,612 and the bank balance was \$ 333,531. Of the bank balance, \$143,300 was covered by federal depository insurance according to FDIC regulations.

These deposits are in various financial institutions in varying amounts. All accounts are in the name of the Township and specific funds. They are recorded in Township records at cost. Interest is recorded when the deposits mature or is credited to the applicable account.

Michigan law prohibits security in the form of collateral, surety bond, or another form for the deposit of public money.

NOTE C - INTERFUND BALANCES:

A summary of interfund receivable and payables are:

Fund PRIMARY GOVERNMENT:	<u>Receivable</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Payable</u>
	.	T 1 1 4	•
General	\$ 64	Trust and Agency	\$ 64
General	58,689	Tax Collection	107,656
Road	17,380		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Fire	22,899		
Emergency Management	8,688		
TOTAL	\$ 107,720	TOTAL	\$ 107,720

NOTE D - CAPITAL ASSETS:

A summary of the capital assets of the Governmental Activities is as follows:

COVERNIA FRITAL A CTIVITIES.	Balance at April 1, 2004	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Disposals</u>	Balance at March 31, 2005
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES: Land Total Capital Assets, not being	<u>\$ 82,085</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 82,085</u>
depreciated	<u>82,085</u>			82,085
Buildings and improvements Land improvements	164,180	-	-	164,180
Furniture and equipment Total Capital Assets	140,545			140,545
being depreciated	304,725	_		304,725
Less Accumulated Depreciation: Buildings and improvements Land improvements	(51,098)	(3,555)	-	(54,653)
Furniture and equipment Total Accumulated	<u>(87,483)</u>	(10,732)		<u>(98,215)</u>
Depreciation	(138,581)	(14,287)		(152,868)
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$248,229</u>	<u>\$(14,287)</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 233,942</u>

A depreciation expense for the governmental activities was charged to the following functions and activities of the primary government:

General and Administrative	\$ 1,462
Public Safety	11,600
Recreation and Culture	1,225
Total	\$14,287

NOTE E - LONG-TERM DEBT:

SCHEDULE OF MARQUETTE COUNTY LANDFILL BOND

		M	arch 31, 2005		
		May	/	November	
		<u>Principal</u>	Interest	Interest	<u>Total</u>
2005		\$ 704	\$ 148	\$129	\$ 981
2006		778	128	. 89	995
2007		833	88	67	988
2008		908	67	25	1,000
2009		_1,000	<u>25</u>	-	_1,025
	TOTALS	<u>\$4,223</u>	<u>\$456</u>	\$310	\$4,989

The Bonds originally issued for \$14,342 and dated September 11, 1991 mature annually as scheduled above and bears a variable interest rate.

NOTE E - LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued):

Changes in long-term debt principal during the period ended March 31, 2005 are summarized as follows:

Governmental Activities:	April 1, 2004	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Subtractions</u>	March 31, 2005
Fire Truck Loan This debt represents the Township's share of the Bond to form the Joint Venture in the Marquette County	<u>\$5,734</u>	\$	<u>\$5,734</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
Solid Waste Management Authority. Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$4,871</u> 10,605	<u>\$</u>	\$ 648 6,382	\$4,223 _4,223
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT LONG-TERM DEBT	<u>\$10,605</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 6.382</u>	<u>\$4.223</u>

NOTE F - PROPERTY TAXES:

The Local Governmental Unit property tax is levied on each December 1st on the taxable valuation of property (as defined by State statutes) located in the Local Governmental Unit as of the preceding December 31st.

Although the Local Governmental Unit 2004 ad valorem tax is levied and collectible on December 1, 2004, it is the Local Governmental Unit's policy to recognize revenue from the current tax levy in the current year when the proceeds of this levy are budgeted and made "available" for the financing of operations. "Available" means collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period (60) days.

The 2004 taxable valuation of the Local Governmental Unit totaled \$7,688,257, on which ad valorem taxes levied consisted of 5.6682 mills for the Local Governmental Unit operation purposes, 1.8272 mills for road improvements, 2.500 mills for fire services and .9136 mills for emergency management services. These amounts are recognized in the General Fund, Road Fund, Fire Fund, and Emergency Management Services Fund financial statements as revenue.

NOTE G - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES:

<u>Risk Management</u> - The Township is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Township has obtained commercial insurance to handle its risk of loss.

NOTE H – JOINT VENTURE:

In June 1988, Champion Township joined with 19 other municipalities to create the Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority ("Authority"). The Authority was created pursuant to Act 233 of 1955 to plan for, acquire, construct, finance, operate, maintain, repair and dispose of, whether by sale, lease, or otherwise, an Act 641 landfill, including all improvements, appurtenances, easements, accessory facilities and structures, equipment, and other property part of or incidental to the landfill sufficient to satisfy the requirements of, and function as a solid waste disposal area under Act 641 and to establish and administer procedures providing for the separation, recycling, recovery, conversion of solid waste to energy and for the disposition of such energy output and disposal at the site of Non-toxic Type II and Type III Solid Waste, to fund all of the above activities, to charge and collect fees in connection with the operation of the landfill and to provide for the reimbursement with receipt of bond proceeds to the City of Marquette and Sands Township of their

NOTE H - JOINT VENTURE (Continued):

respective costs and expenses incurred in connection with the establishment and administration of the Solid Waste Authority and the System Facility.

The Authority is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of one (1) member (who is the Chairperson of the board of Trustees) designated by the Sands Township Supervisor on behalf of the Sands Township, two (2) members designated by the Marquette City Commission; three (3) members designated by the Marquette County Board of Commissioners, and one resident of the City of Marquette appointed by the other 6 Authority Board members. All decisions of the Board are made by majority vote, consisting of at least four of its members.

The Township's share of assets, liabilities, and fund equity is approximately 10 percent. Summary financial information as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004, is as follows:

Total Assets	\$13,084,748
Total Liabilities	2,136,948
Total Equity	10,947,800
Total Operating Revenues	3,157,413
Total Operating Expenses	2,065,094
Net Income (loss)	1,033,247

The City of Marquette has pledged its full faith and credit for the Marquette County Solid Waste Management Authority Bonds, Series 1988. These bonds are payable from the net revenues of the Authority, as well as by each member of the Authority to the extent of their pro rata share of the principal and interest requirements on the bonds.

NOTE I - EXCESS EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS:

Public Act 621 of 1978, Section 18 (1), as amended, provides that a Township shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. In the body of the financial statements, the Townships actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds have been shown on a functional basis.

The approved budgets to the Township General and Special Revenue Funds were adopted on an activity and/or program level. During the year ended March 31, 2005, the Township incurred functional expenditures which were in excess of the amounts appropriated as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Final Amended <u>Budget</u>	<u>Expe</u> nditure	<u>Variance</u>
General:			
Elections	\$1,500	\$ 2,107	\$607
Board of Review	600	751	151
Garbage Collection	18,000	18,446	446
Zoning	1,300	1,990	690
Seniors	1,600	1,635	35
Veteran's Memorial Park	-	2,721	2,721

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

GENERAL FUND

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

		Budgeted	l Ame	ounts		Actual GAAP	Fin	iance with al Budget Positive
	0	riginal		Final		Basis		legative)
REVENUES:					-			3
Taxes	\$	74,825	\$	74,825	\$	71,538	\$	(3,287)
Licenses and permits		-		-		-		
State sources		31,200		23,000		34,047		11,047
Charges for services		950		950		534		(416)
Interest		170		170		598		428
Other revenues		4,000		12,200		6,420		(5,780)
TOTAL REVENUES		111,145		111,145		113,137		1,992
EXPENDITURES:								
Legislative		2,750		2,750		2,500		250
Elections		1,500		1,500		2,107		(607)
General services and administration		60,972		60,972		57,191		3,781
Public safety		-		-		-		-
Public works		28,000		28,000		27,569		431
Community and economic development		5,800		5,800		4,245		1,555
Recreation and culture		9,800		9,800		1,700		8,100
Other	-	15,875		15,875		9,132		6,743
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		124,697		124,697		104,444		20,253
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		(13,552)		(13,552)		8,693		22,245
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
Transfers (out)		_		-		_		_
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		•		_				
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(13,552)		(13,552)		8,693		22,245
Fund balance, beginning of year		104,552		104,552		104,552		_
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	_\$	91,000	\$	91,000	\$	113,245	\$	22,245

ROAD FUND

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

	Budgeted Original	d Amounts Final	Actual GAAP Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES:				(inegative)	
Taxes	\$ 16,300	\$ 16,300	\$ 19,150	\$ 2,850	
Licenses and permits	-	-	-	-	
State sources	-	-	-	-	
Charges for services	-	-	-	-	
Interest	100	100	341	241	
Other revenues			-		
TOTAL REVENUES	16,400	16,400	19,491	3,091	
EXPENDITURES:					
Legislative	-	_	-	_	
Elections	-	-	-	_	
General services and administration	-	-	_	-	
Public safety	-	-	-	-	
Public works	-	-	-	-	
Community and economic development	-	-	-	-	
Recreation and culture	-	-	-	-	
Other					
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			_	-	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER					
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	16,400	16,400	19,491	3,091	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers (in)					
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	16,400	16,400	19,491	3,091	
Fund balance, beginning of year	41,593	41,593	41,593	-	
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 57,993	\$ 57,993	\$ 61,084	\$ 3,091	

FIRE FUND

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

	Budgete Original	ed Amounts Final	Actual GAAP Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
REVENUES:	6 04 000	6 04 000	¢ 04.770		
Taxes Licenses and permits	\$ 24,606	\$ 24,606	\$ 24,772	\$ 166	
State sources	-	-	-		
Charges for services	15,254	15,254	16,969	1,715	
Interest	-	-	303	303	
Other revenues	_			_	
TOTAL REVENUES	39,860	39,860	42,044	2,184	
EXPENDITURES:					
Legislative	-	-	. -	-	
Elections	-	-	-	-	
General services and administration	-	-	-	-	
Public safety	39,860	39,160	29,690	9,470	
Public works	-	-	-	-	
Community and economic development	-	-	-	-	
Recreation and culture Other	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	39,860	39,160	29,690	9,470	
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	-	700	12,354	11,654	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers (in)					
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	_				
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	-	700	12,354	11,654	
Fund balance, beginning of year	33,979	33,979	33,979		
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ 33,979	\$ 34,679	\$ 46,333	\$ 11,654	

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

		Budgeted Amounts			Actual GAAP		Variance with Final Budget Positive	
	C	riginal			Basis		(Negative)	
REVENUES:								
Taxes	\$	9,685	\$	9,915	\$	9,353	\$	(562)
Licenses and permits		-		-		-		•
State sources		-		-		-		-
Charges for services		7,627		7,397		7,176		(221)
Interest		-		-		166		166
Other revenues		-		-		641		641
TOTAL REVENUES		17,312		17,312		17,336		24
EXPENDITURES:								
Legislative		-		_		_		_
Elections		-		-		-		_
General services and administration		-		-		-		-
Public safety		-		-		-		_
Public works		-		-		_		_
Health and welfare		17,312		17,312		12,131		5,181
Community and economic development		-		-		-		· -
Recreation and culture		-		-		-		-
Other	•							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		17,312		17,312		12,131		5,181
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES								
						5,205		5,205
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):								
Transfers (in)		-		-		<u>-</u>		-
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING								
SOURCES (USES)						-		_
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		-		-		5,205		5,205
Fund balance, beginning of year		16,537		16,537		16,537		-
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	16,537	\$	16,537	\$	21,742	\$	5,205
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Other Supplemental Information

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

REVENUES:		Final Budget		Actual GAAP Basis		Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)	
Taxes:							
Current levy		\$	41,500	\$	39,473	\$	(2,027)
Delinquent taxes		•	7,000	Ψ	4,414	Ψ	(2,586)
Commercial forest			15,000		14,453		(2,560)
Swamp tax			6,100		6,134		34
Collection fees			5,225		7,064		1,839
	Total Taxes		74,825		71,538		(3,287)
State Sources:							
Revenue sharing			23,000		26,263		3,263
Metro authority					989		989
Wet lands grant			_		6,795		6,795
·	Total State Sources		23,000		34,047		11,047
Charges for Services: Transfer station ticke	4-						
Town hall rental	ets		150		61		(89)
			250		180		(70)
Cemetery			100		_		(100)
Zoning permits Miscellaneous			250		220		(30)
wiscellaneous	Total Changes for Condess		200		73		(127)
	Total Charges for Services		950		534		(416)
Interest			170		598		428
	Total Interest		170		598		428
Other Revenues:							
Miscellaneous other			12,200		6,420		(5,780)
	Total Other Revenues		12,200		6,420		(5,780)
	TOTAL REVENUES		111,145	-	113,137		1,992
EXPENDITURES: LEGISLATIVE: Board of Commission	nere:						
Personnel services			2,750		2,500		250
Other services and	-						
	TOTAL LEGISLATIVE		2,750		2,500		250

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

			Final udget	C	Actual SAAP Basis	Fina P	ance with al Budget ositive egative)
ELECTIONS:		_				_	
Personnel services Supplies		\$	1,500	\$	999	\$	501
Other services and charges			-		1,108		(1,108)
	TAL ELECTIONS		1,500		2,107		(607)
GENERAL SERVICES AND ADI Supervisor:	MINISTRATION:						
Personnel services			4,500		4,450		50
Other services and charges							
	Total Supervisor		4,500		4,450		50
Assessor:							
Personnel services			3,600		3,600		-
Supplies			-		-		-
Other services and charges	Total Assessor		3,600		3,600		-
	10(6) 7 (330330)		0,000		0,000		
Clerk:							
Personnel services			5,100		5,050		50
Other services and charges	Total Clerk		5,100		5,050	-	50
	Total Clerk		3,100		3,030		30
Board of Review:							
Personnel services			600		540		60
Other services and charges	al Board of Review				211		(211)
l Ota	II Board of Review		600		751	-	(151)
Treasurer:							
Personnel services			6,600		6,550		50
Supplies			3,500		3,337		163
Other services and charges	Total Treasurer		10 100		9,887		213
	rotal freasurer		10,100		9,001		213

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ${\tt BUDGET}$ AND ACTUAL

	Fir Bud		(Actual GAAP Basis	Fina Po	ince with I Budget ositive gative)
Township Hall and Grounds:						
Personnel services	\$	8,872	\$	7,388	\$	1,484
Supplies		3,600		3,758		(158)
Other services and charges Capital outlay	•	17,100		17,657		(557)
Total Township Hall and Grounds		7,500 37,072		4,650 33,453		2,850 3,619
TOTAL GENERAL SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATION	6	50,972		57,191		3,781
PUBLIC WORKS:						
Streetlights:				0.400		
Other services and charges Total Streetlights		10,000		9,123		877
Total Streetiights		10,000		9,123		877
Garbage Collection:						
Other services and charges	•	18,000		17,483		517
Debt service	-	_		963		(963)
Total Garbage Collection		18,000		18,446		(446)
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS	2	28,000		27,569		431
COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:						
Zoning: Personnel services		300		1,950		(1,650)
Supplies		-		-		-
Other services and charges		1,000		40		960
Total Refuse Collection		1,300	-	1,990		(690)
Planning Commission:						
Personnel services		4,500		1,839		2,661
Supplies		· -		-		_,00,
Other services and charges				416		(416)
Total Planning Commission		4,500		2,255		2,245
TOTAL COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC						
DEVELOPMENT		5,800	<u> </u>	4,245		1,555

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	Final Budget	Actual GAAP Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
RECREATION AND CULTURE:			
Recreation and Grants:			
Personnel services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Supplies	0.44		
Other services and charges	3,40		3,335
Total Recreation and Grants	3,40	00 65	3,335
Horse pulling:			
Personnel services			_
Supplies			_
Other services and charges	4,80	- 00	4,800
Total Horse pulling	4,80		4,800
Cariana			
Seniors: Personnel services	4.00	20 4 005	(0.5)
Supplies	1,60	00 1,635	(35)
Other services and charges		-	-
Total Seniors	1,60	00 1,635	(35)
7 0101 00111010	1,00	1,000	(00)
TOTAL RECREATION AND CULTURE	9,80	00 1,700	8,100
OTHER:			
Fringe Benefits:			
Social security	5,10	00 2,335	2,765
Retirement	-,		2,700
Total Fringe Benefits	5,10	2,335	2,765
Insurance and bonds	6,00	00 5,542	458
Miscellaneous	4,77	•	3,520
TOTAL OTHER	15,87		6,743
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	124,69		20,253
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER			
(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(13,55	<u>8,693</u>	22,245

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

GENERAL FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

	E	Final Budget		Actual GAAP Basis	Fir	riance with nal Budget Positive Negative)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):						
Transfers (Out):						
Transfers out	_\$		_\$_	-	_\$	
Total Transfers (Out)				-		
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		-		<u>-</u>		-
CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		(13,552)		8,693		22,245
Fund balance, beginning of year		104,552		104,552		_
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	91,000	\$	113,245	\$	22,245

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

ROAD FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ${\tt BUDGET}$ AND ACTUAL

	Į.	Final Budget	Actual GAAP Basis	Fina P	ance with al Budget ositive egative)
REVENUES:	-				<u> </u>
Taxes:					
Current levy	\$	12,500	\$ 12,725	\$	225
Delinquent taxes		2,400	1,321		(1,079)
Commercial forest		1,400	5,104		3,704
Total Taxe	es	16,300	19,150		2,850
Other Revenues:					
Interest		100	 341		241
Total Other Revenue	es	100	 341		241
TOTAL REVENUE	S	16,400	19,491		3,091
		<u> </u>			
EXPENDITURES: Road:					
Other services and charges		-	_		-
Total Refuse Collection	on	_	 -	***************************************	-
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFET	Υ		 -	-	_
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	:s	-	 -	-	<u> </u>
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVE	R				
(UNDER) EXPENDITURE		16,400	 19,491		3,091
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): Transfers (In): General Fund		_	_		_
Total Transfers (I	n)	_	 -		
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USE:			_		-
CHANGE IN FUND BALANC	E	16,400	19,491		3,091
Fund balance, beginning of year	_	41,593	41,593		-
		F7 000	 04.004		0.004
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEA	R <u>\$</u>	57,993	\$ 61,084	<u>\$</u>	3,091

MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FIRE FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

			Final Budget	(Actual GAAP Basis	Fina P	ance with I Budget ositive egative)
REVENUES:							
Taxes:		•	47 404	•	4C E00	œ	(005)
Current levy Delinquent taxes		\$	17,484	\$	16,589 1,809	\$	(895) 1,809
Commercial forest			7,122		6,374		(748)
Commercial forest	Total Taxes		24,606		24,772		166
Charges for Services:							
Ambulance runs			_		1,000		1,000
Humboldt charges			15,254		15,969		715
•	Total Charges for Services		15,254		16,969		1,715
Other Revenues:							
Interest			-		303		303
	Total Other Revenues		-		303		303
	TOTAL REVENUES		39,860		42,044		2,184
EXPENDITURES:							
Public Safety:							
Supplies			800		140		660
Other services a	and charges		27,560		18,737		8,823
Capital outlay			5,000		4,958		42
Debt service	Total Expenditures		5,800 39,160		5,855 29,690		(55) 9,470
	, otal Enpoination						
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		39,160		29,690		9,470
EXC	ESS OF REVENUES OVER						
	(UNDER) EXPENDITURES		700		12,354		11,654
OTHER FINANCING SO Transfers (In):	OURCES (USES):						
General Fund	Takal Takasa (1.4)		-				
TOTAL OTHER FINA	Total Transfers (In) ANCING SOURCES (USES)		-				
	ANGE IN FUND BALANCE		700		12,354		11,654
Fund balance, beginning			33,979		33,979		
-	BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	34,679	\$	46,333	\$	11,654
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MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

			Final udget		Actual GAAP Basis	Fina P	ance with al Budget ositive egative)
REVENUES:							
Taxes:		•	7.000	•	0.000	_	
Current levy Delinquent taxes		\$	7,008	\$	6,363	\$	(645)
Commercial forest			2,907		661 2,329		661 (579)
Commercial forest	Total Taxes		9,915		9,353		(578) (562)
Charges for Services		·					
Charges for Services: Ambulance runs					100		100
Humboldt charges			7,397		7,076		100 (321)
riambolat onargoo	Total Charges for Services		7,397		7,176		(221)
Other Revenues:	. J.a. 2.1a.g.20 /3/ 23/ 11000		7,007		7,170		(221)
Interest			-		166		166
Miscellaneous other			-		641		641
	Total Other Revenues		-		807		807
	TOTAL REVENUES		17,312		17,336		24
EXPENDITURES:							
Heath and Welfare							
Personnel service	es		-		100		(100)
Supplies			2,050		1,110		940
Other services a	nd charges		12,262		7,449		4,813
Capital outlay			3,000		3,472		(472)
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		17,312		12,131		5,181
EXC	ESS OF REVENUES OVER						
	(UNDER) EXPENDITURES				5,205		(5,157)
OTHER FINANCING SO Transfers (In): General Fund	DURCES (USES):		<u>-</u>		_		_
	Total Transfers (In)		-		-	•	-
TOTAL OTHER FINA	ANCING SOURCES (USES)		_		_		_
CH Fund balance, beginning	ANGE IN FUND BALANCE of year		- 16,537		5,205 16,537		(5,157)
FUND	BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$	16,537	\$	21,742	\$	(5,157)
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NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK FUND

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - ${\tt BUDGET}$ AND ACTUAL

		Final Budget	Actual GAAP Basis	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
REVENUES: Contributions		\$ -	\$ 6,192	\$ 6,192
	Total Contributions	-	6,192	6,192
	TOTAL REVENUES		6,192	6,192
EXPENDITURES:	Cultura			
Recreation and Miscellaneou			2,721	(2,721)
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES		2,721	(2,721)
E	(UNDER) EXPENDITURES		3,471	3,471
Transfers (In):	SOURCES (USES):			
General Fund	Total Transfers (In)			
TOTAL OTHER I	FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Fund balance, begin	CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE ning of year		3,471	3,471
Fl	JND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	<u> </u>	\$ 3,471	\$ 3,471

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2005

		Age	st & ency ind	Tax Collection Fund	Total
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Due from other funds		\$	64 -	\$ 151,305 	\$ 151,369
	TOTAL ASSETS	\$	64	\$ 151,305	\$ 151,369
LIABILITIES Due to other funds Due to others		\$	64 	\$ 107,656 43,649	\$ 107,720 43,649
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	64	\$ 151,305	\$ 151,369

Compliance Supplements



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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Supervisor and Township Board of Trustees Township of Champion, Michigan Champion, Michigan 49814

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Champion, Michigan as of and for the year ended March 31, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated July 1, 2005. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance and Other matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Township of Champion, Michigan's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards, which are described in a separate letter to management dated July 1, 2005.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Township of Champion, Michigan's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk of material misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and Township Board of Trustees and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

> Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC Certified Public Accountants

July 1, 2005

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Township of Champion, Michigan Report to Management Letter For the Year Ended March 31, 2005

To the Honorable Supervisor and Members of The Township Board Township of Champion, Michigan Champion, MI 49814

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Township of Champion, Michigan for the year ended March 31, 2005; we considered its internal control in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control. However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control and its operation that we consider to be reportable conditions under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control that, in our judgement, could affect the Township of Champion, Michigan's ability to initiate, record, process, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

Instances of Non-Compliance

Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (P.A. 621)

The State of Michigan has enacted Public Act 621, the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act, to provide for a system of uniform procedures for the preparation and execution of budgets in local units of government. The purpose of P.A. 621 is to require that all local units of government adopt balanced budgets, to establish responsibilities and define the procedure for the preparation, adoption and maintenance of the budget, and to require certain information for the budget process, including data for capital construction projects. The major provisions of P.A. 621 are as follows:

- 1. Local Units of government must adopt a budget.
- The budget, including accrued deficits and available unappropriated surpluses, must be balanced. 2.
- The budget must be amended when necessary. 3.
- Debt shall not be entered into unless the debt is permitted by law. 4.
- Expenditures shall not be incurred in excess of the amount appropriated. 5.
- Expenditures shall not be made unless authorized in the budget. 6.
- Violations of the act, disclosed in an audit of the financial records, in the absence of reasonable 7. procedures, shall be filed with the State Treasurer and reported to the Attorney General.

To the Honorable Supervisor and Members of The Township Board Township of Champion, Michigan

The Township was found to be in violation of the legal and contractual provisions of the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (Public Act 621) in certain individual funds as enumerated upon in the Footnotes of the financial statements.

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This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Township of Champion, Michigan's Board, management, and other legislative or regulatory body and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We appreciate and would like to thank the Township of Champion, Michigan's staff for the cooperation and courtesy extended to us during our audit. We would be pleased to discuss any comments or answer any questions regarding our audit with you at your convenience.

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC
Certified Public Accountants

July 1, 2005

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July 1, 2005

To the Honorable Supervisor and Township Board Champion Township, Michigan Champion, MI 49814

We have audited the financial statements of the Township of Champion, Michigan for the year ended March 31, 2005, and have issued our report thereon dated July 1, 2005. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

Our Responsibility under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards

As stated in our engagement letter, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatement and are fairly presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Because an audit is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance and because we did not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material misstatements may exist and not be detected by us.

As part of our audit, we considered the internal control of the Township of Champion, Michigan. Such considerations were solely for the purpose of determining our audit procedures and not to provide any assurance concerning such internal control.

Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility for selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement, we will advise management of the appropriateness of the accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies adopted by the Township and its component units are described in Footnote A in the respective financial statements. The Township adopted the provisions of GASB #34 for the reporting year. We noted no transactions entered into by the Township or its component units during the year that were both significant and unusual, and of which, under professional standards, we are required to inform you, or transactions for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

To the Honorable Supervisor and Township Board Champion Township, Michigan

Significant Audit Adjustments

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define an audit adjustment as a proposed correction of the financial statements that, in our judgement, may not have been detected except through our auditing procedures. An audit adjustment may or may not indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the Township of Champion, Michigan's financial reporting process (that is, cause future financial statements to be materially misstated). In our judgment, none of the adjustments we proposed, whether recorded or unrecorded by the Township of Champion, Michigan, either individually or in the aggregate, indicate matters that could have a significant effect on the Township of Champion, Michigan's financial reporting process.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditors' report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Consultation with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about accounting and auditing matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principal to the governmental unit's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditors' opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Issues Discussed Prior to Retention of Independent Auditors

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Township of Champion, Michigan's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in the performance of our audit.

Conclusion

This information is intended solely for the use of the Township of Champion, Michigan Board and management and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Anderson, Tackman & Company, PLC
Certified Public Accountants